# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# **FISCAL NOTE**

HB 2707 - SB 2997

February 19, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Bureau of TennCare to develop and implement a co-pay plan for TennCare Standard enrollees based upon a sliding scale determined by family size and income. The co-pays are permitted from being levied on 12 annual visits to a primary care physician and shall only be implemented to the extent permitted by federal law and the terms of the TennCare waiver.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **MINIMAL**

### Assumptions:

- According to the Bureau of TennCare, the provisions of the bill can not be implemented because the required co-pays are not allowed under the current TennCare waiver.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requires the co-pays for the 28,750 children enrolled in TennCare Standard be the same as those under the CoverKids program.
- The 750 adults enrolled in TennCare Standard are only authorized to pay the existing \$3 pharmacy co-pay under the current waiver.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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